

# BUILDERS' GUIDE

## Star Making Good With New Owners

In the four short months since the Star car made its initial debut in Southern California, it has made a host of friends and the remarkable degree of popularity which it has developed has carried its sales volumes far beyond the expectations of the Southern California distributors.

"The most remarkable thing about the Star," says Mr. Gipe of Gipe's Garage, local Star agent, "is the way it is making good with the owners. We have not as yet had a serious complaint from the many hundreds to whom we have delivered Star cars. The cars are standing up and giving genuine service for the money."

"Usually a new car comes on the

market and is accorded a vigorous reception because of the curiosity created by it and then drops into the discard again, while the world goes merrily on and buys the same old standard makes. W. C. Durant knew this characteristic of the American well enough to realize that if his product was to merit patronage it would have to stand on its own wheelbase after the initial introduction and glamor was over. He has built the Star with this in mind and to his farsightedness I attribute the manner in which Star cars are making good with the public."

Our idea of an optimist is the one who can already see the onions peeping up in his garden.

You have also doubtless noticed that it isn't always the heaviest taxpayer who has the most money to loan.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

To the People of Torrance and vicinity:

I desire to announce that I have leased an office room in the Erwin Building (opposite State Exchange Bank) for the general practice of law. All business entrusted to me will receive my best attention. I hope to merit your confidence and esteem. I regard that of greater value than money.

You will want to know something about me. I was born in Wisconsin 53 years ago, educated in country school until 14 years of age, then high school, and finally completed in the University of North Dakota, of which I am a graduate. After six years in the teaching profession in North Dakota, I studied law at the University of Minnesota, from which I graduated in 1898. Thereafter I practiced law for six years at Long Prairie, Minn., and then went to Jamestown, N. D., where I practiced for four years, being then elected to the office of County Judge of Stutsman County, N. D. This office I held for eight successive years. I was forced to quit that office on account of breakdown in health, but stood for election to the legislature during my last year as County Judge. Although always a Progressive Republican, I could not accept the extreme radical policies of the Townley-Socialist crowd, who secured complete political control. My opposition in the legislature and in the election preceding gave me considerable notoriety from the opposition press. However, the sane and more conservative forces are now in control, and North Dakota is coming back to normalcy. I helped in its restoration.

After regaining my health, I located at Anaheim, Calif., where I practiced law for 18 months. Then sold out to Attorney H. V. Weisel, and moved to Long Beach. After casting about for six months, I located in this fast growing city of Torrance. I hope to be a help in building up. I expect to see Torrance grow, and I want to do my bit. It will be a pleasure for me to meet you.

Yours truly,  
J. U. HEMMI.

There will be no service of the Episcopal church in Torrance on Easter, it being thought best to join with the Wilmington church for the Easter services, which will be, Holy Communion at 7:30 and a Festival service at 11 o'clock. There will be a vested choir of 20 and many new gifts to the church will be used for the first time at this service.

## LOCAL VISITOR SUCCESSFUL IN LOVE AND OIL

### Nate Parris of Smackover Field, and Bride Visit Friends Here

Having achieved phenomenal success in business and married the girl of his boyhood's choice the story of Nate Parris, the millionaire oil producer of the noted Smackover oil fields, who is visiting in Southern California, is one of the greatest interest to every young man who is striving for financial independence and marital happiness.

Mr. Parris, who with his bride, is a guest at the Alexandria hotel in Los Angeles, was a recent visitor to Torrance as the guest of Mr. Bridge of the Torrance Herald, whose son is publicity manager for the "oil wizard," as he is familiarly called throughout the middle west.

The marriage of Mr. Parris and his boyhood sweetheart, Miss Anna Lou Pennington, daughter of well-known Southern planters, who have been residents of Austin, Texas, for more than 50 years, was the culmination of a romance that dates back to the time when both were in grammar school. Both bride and groom, the former 21 years of age and the latter 27, were born in Austin and until the beginning of the war when Mr. Parris became a lieutenant in the aviation corps, had been inseparable companions.

Following the war Parris determined to make a fortune in oil and without influential friends or money followed the oil boom from place to place until he found himself in Arkansas, where he formed a company and leased some land.

The old adage that true love never runs smoothly was contradicted in his case for from the time he entered the game until his marriage every well he opened up has been a producer and he and his associates have paid hundreds of thousands in dividends to holders of stock in all parts of the world.

Eldorado, Arkansas, the home of the "biggest oil producers in the world, has been Mr. Parris' temporary place of residence for three years. Recently his company brought in a well in that vicinity that gushed for the "black gold" at the rate of 72,000 barrels daily. Vowing that if this last well was a real producer he would forget money making for the time being and return to his sweetheart, Parris left his enormous interests in competent hands and rushed back to Austin, where his marriage took place.

Bride and groom will spend a week or ten days in and around Los Angeles, he inspecting the oil situation and she visiting with friends and shopping, before returning to his oil properties.

## TO DRILL ON PLAZA DEL AMO

### L. A. Company Formed to Develop Tract 3758 and Other Holdings

City Clerk Bartlett is in receipt of a communication from the secretary of the Torrance Oil and Development Company, with headquarters in Los Angeles, asking for information relative to the proper procedure in the granting of a permit from the city of Torrance for oil drilling purposes.

The Torrance Oil and Development Company has just been organized in Los Angeles to handle oil and industrial property in the Torrance district.

Lloyd Wright, its attorney and secretary, announced that the company has taken over a large block of acreage in Tract 3758, at the outskirts of Torrance.

The officers and directors of the company are J. R. Richards, president; Edward A. Dickson, vice-president; Parley M. Johnson, treasurer; Loyd Wright, secretary; Robert T. Hill, Dayne Loel, W. F. King and Alfred Bayer, directors.

Charles Benson and family have moved from 1020 Cota avenue to the house he recently purchased at 1715 Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Price have moved from 1904 Gramercy avenue to the house they purchased at 2221 Andreo.

Mrs. Willis Brooks was a guest at a luncheon given by Mrs. Helen Chalmers Kingston at her home in Hollywood, Friday.

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Saturday, April 7

Milton Sills, Claire Windsor, Henry B.

Walthall, Irene Rich, Joseph Dowling in

"ONE CLEAR CALL"

"Around the World in 18 Days," Episode 10